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In re Application of:

Barry BARA et al.

Examiner: Terrell Matthews

Serial No.: 10/685,394

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Title: APPARATUS AND PROCESS FOR COALESCING BITUMEN IN AN OIL SLURRY

REPLY

Mail Stop Non Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated September 22, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.